IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Carl Anthony Blau Confirmation No.: 4343
Application Serial No.: 09/582,916 Group Art Unit: 1633

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For: Methods Of Controlling Cell

Differentiation And Growth Using A

Fusion Protein And A Drug

Date: October 1, 2009

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop **Amendment** Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2009, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks as indicated below. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time is filed herewith. The listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.